



## Peteris Vanags

June 6, 2016

Peteris Vanags, age 73, of Suwanee, GA passed away on Monday, June 6, 2016. He was preceded in death by his father, Janis Vanags, and brother, Intis Vanags. He is survived by his wife of fifty years, Sandra Black Vanags, Suwanee, GA; sons and daughters-in-law, Scott and Kristen Vanags, Atlanta, GA, Christopher and Loren Vanags, Nashville, TN; grandchildren, Leah Vanags, Ian Vanags, Flinn Vanags, Anna Vanags, Joseph Vanags; mother, Laima Berzins, Pittsburgh, PA; sister, Ieva Berzins, Pittsburgh, PA. Mr. Vanags was born March 17, 1943 in Latvia. He was a veteran of the U.S. Army and a 1966 graduate of Virginia Military Institute with a Bachelors Degree in Electrical Engineering. He was retired from Valmet Automation after twelve years of service. He also worked for the Home Depot in Lawrenceville, GA. He was a member of Christ the Lord Lutheran Church in Lawrenceville, GA. A memorial service and visitation will be held at 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, June 9, 2016 at Christ the Lord Lutheran Church, 1001 Duluth Hwy, Lawrenceville, GA 30043 with Pastor Robert Mitchell officiating and military honors. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the National PKU Alliance, P.O. Box 501, Tomahawk, WI 54487 in memory of Peteris Vanags.

To express condolences, please sign our online guest book at [www.flaniganfuneralhome.com](http://www.flaniganfuneralhome.com). Arrangements by: Junior E. Flanigan of Flanigan Funeral Home and Crematory, Buford, GA (770) 932-1133.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Peteris Vanags*

November 08, 2022 at 07:37 PM



“ *Dick and Nancy Wertz 6/12/2016 12:06:20 PM*

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**Jeanette and Bobby Shelnutt** - June 11, 2016 at 12:00 AM

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“ So deeply sorry to learn of your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family at this difficult time. May you forever remember and cherish the good times and find comfort in your wonderful family. May Pete RIP. Our love and sympathy to you.

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**Rose and Don Nelson** - June 09, 2016 at 12:00 AM

E'

“ Pete was one of my "brother rats" (classmate) and fellow EE major at VMI. It's a small school and smaller group of EE majors. Consequently I spent a good deal of time with Pete during our 4 years together, now 50 years ago. We missed him at our recent reunion and had looked forward to reconnecting the bonds that tie us brother rats together. Alas that opportunity has been taken away from us. While sad, his passing reminds me not to waste a moment further to connect with people who matter to you.

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**Ed Guida, VMI '66** - June 09, 2016 at 12:00 AM

CH

“ Sandy, our thoughts and Prayers are with you and your family. May God be with you and comfort you.

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**Cliff Hood** - June 08, 2016 at 12:00 AM

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“ Love to Sandy, Chris, Loren, Flinn, Ian, and Leah.

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**Greta Clinton-Selin** - June 08, 2016 at 12:00 AM

DK

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**Dolly Sypien kosol** - June 08, 2016 at 12:00 AM

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**Mary Bauer** - June 08, 2016 at 12:00 AM

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D'

“ I spent 4 years with Pete in Electrical Engineering classes at VMI and, in addition, the last 2 with him as a Cadet Waiter. It was a distinct privilege to have known him and I'm quite proud to refer to him as my "Brother Rat". May he rest in peace, knowing that his many friends and family will miss him more than words can ever begin to express.

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**Don Nemetz VMI '66** - June 07, 2016 at 12:00 AM